## D. P. ERWIN & CO. SELL OUT

HAVENS & GEDDES CO., OF TERRE HAUTE, THE PURCHASER.

Largest Transaction in the History South Meridian Street-New Company Recently Burned Out -Price About \$400,000.

D. P. Erwin & Co., jebbers and importers of dry goods, 106 to 114 South Meridian street, have sold their business to the Havens & Geddes Company, of Terre Haute. The deal was practically closed Saturday, but there are many detalls yet to be arranged, and the new firm will take possession Wednesday. It is said to be one of the largest business transactions consummated in the mer-cantile history of Indianapolis. It involves the entire business and all open accounts. D. P. Erwin said this morning that the sale had been closed with the exception of completing the inventory of the stock on hand and some of the details of the business. He declined to make known the exact consideration, but it is approximately \$400,000.

"It is perhaps the largest transaction ever made in the wholesale business of the city," Mr. Erwin said. "It involves many thousands of dollars, but how much I do not care to make known. The exact figures have hardly been reached on account of the inventory not having been made. But the deal means much more to Indianapolis than the mere pur-chase of our business. The new firm will bring all of the business which it has heretofore conducted at Terre Haute and combine it with the Indiana-

In addition to this, it will bring to the city a clothing factory which it has operated at Terre Haute. It means a much larger business and the employment of a large number of people. I intend to retire from mercantile life, and give all of my attention to other interests which I have already acquired. For some time I have wanted to retire from the dry goods business that I might look after other affairs. The Havens & Geddes people were looking for an opportunity to come to Indianapolis that they might broaden their business, and it gave me a good opportunity to retire."

Mr. Allen M. Fletcher accompanied his wife and daughters on their Mediterranean trip, sailing last Thursday.

Miss Rowena New has returned from a visit of several weeks with her sister, Mrs. W. R. McKeen, Jr., in the West. a good opportunity to retire."

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Mr. Erwin said he would remain in the new company, serving as an officer, perhaps as vice-president. He will also give attention to the business for some time. Mr. Erwin said the report that he was interested with Crawford Fairbanks, of Terre Haute, and others, in the establishment of a new tin-plate mill, either at Terre Haute or here, was not true. He had not heard of such a venture. had not heard of such a venture. A Long-Established Business

It is understood that the new firm will retain all of the employes who have been helping to conduct the business of D. P. Erwin & Co., but with the increased busi-ness numerous additions will be made to

Co.

In 1880 the firm of Johnston & Erwin as organized. Previous to his coming see, Mr. Erwin was a partner in the dry poods firm of Lockard, Ireland & Co., of inchangal. The firm name changed to D. Erwin & Co. in 1884. At this time the ausiness was in South Meridian street, opposite the arestent location. In January, 1887, a million-dollar fire swept the wholesale istrict, entireity burning out D. P. Erwin & Co., as well as many other wholesale houses. Within a week D. P. Erwin & Co., as well as many other wholesale houses. Within a week D. P. Erwin & Co. as well as many other wholesale houses. Within a week D. P. Erwin & Co., and purchased the dry goods business of Byram, Cornelius & Co. In 1890 the present building, 106 to 114 South Meridian street, was completed, and the company moved into it. It occupies four stories, and the roof space of the ware-rooms would cover several actes of ground.

Volume of Business.

With each year the firm widened its susiness. When Mr. Erwin first entered the trade here the firm with which he was connected sold about \$500,000 worth of goods a year. Its sales last year are said to have amounted to more than \$2,000,000. About twenty traveling salesmen have been kept on the road. They have visited Onio, Illinois and Iowa principally, competing with the largest wholesalers of the Middle West. The heads of the ten departments of the house made frequent trips to the markets of the house made frequent artments of the house made frequent rips to the markets of the East, and !t

ens, of Terre Haute, the head of the Havens-Geddes company, was with Mr. Erwin to-day, going over the details of the trade. The firm is composed of Mr. Havens, Robert Geddes

## THE NEW COMPANY. Began Business in a Small Way-Grew to Magnitude.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Coffin, Dr. and Mrs. W. N. Wishard, Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Bates, Mr. and Mrs. Noble C. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. John N. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. John N. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb S. Denny, Mr. and Mrs. Horace E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Gates, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Herod, Mr. and Mrs. George-C. Hitt, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kenyon, Mr. and Mrs. Volney T. Malott, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Parry, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Holliday, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Joss, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merfill, Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. New, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Joss, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. D. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. Governor and Mrs. J. M. Kitchen, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Kitchen, Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Defrees, Mr. and Mrs. Carles F. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cockrum, Mr. and Mrs. A. Young, Mr. and Mrs. David Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. A. Young, Mr. and Mrs. C. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Eugeneundy, Newcastle; Judge and Mrs. Eugeneundy, Newcastle; Judge and Mrs. William J. Hanley, Rushville; Senator and Mrs. Hogate, Danville; Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. King, Wabash; Mr. and Mrs. Francis T. Roots, Connersville; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lathrop, Greencastle; Mr. and Mrs. George Bliss.
The number of toasts which will be re-(Special to The Indianapolis News.)
Terre Haute, Ind., January 30.—Robert Geddes of the Havens & Geddes Company, says his company has bought the stock of goods, valued at about \$300,099 from D. P. Erwin & Co., and will continue business as the Haven & Geddes Company. Mr. Erwin retuined some stock in the corporation, and will serve as vice-president and director. Mr. Lockard, Mr. Erwin's partner, will remain with the new Cinc. Meetings.

The Marrie, Ladies, Social Clinh will, meet with Mrs. Carroll, Tuesday afternoon, at her home, in Woodruff Place, and be entertained at progressive cards. The Priscilla Circle will meet with Mrs. Frink Phinson, 725 Buc. anan street, Thursday afternoon.

The Scrosis Club will meet with Mrs. Jordan, 2523 Central avenue to-morrow. The Ladies All Society of the First English Litheran churen will come with Mrs. Geogle H. Herpick, \$25 Camp street, Thursday aternoon.

employs 150 persons, mostly women, with a pay-roll of \$100 a day, will not be moved from Terre Haute for some time.

Havens & Geddes began the wholesale trade in dry goods and notions on a small scale many years ago, and at the time of the fire carried a stock of \$300,000, which wis totally destroyed. About ten years ago they opened the first department store in Terre Haute, and it was always known as "The Big Store."

Some years ago a number of their older employes in the wholesale house took stock in the company, and it is understood that they will continue as stockholders at Indianapolis. The wholesale house had a large trade in western Indiana and Illinois.

PILOT'S BODY. Finding It Regarded as a Clew to

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Mr. Newton Booth Tarkington has gone to New York to remain three weeks to make arrangements with the McClure company for the publication of his book.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Eaglesfield and children have gone to New York, and will sall for Europe in a few days. They will take up their residence in Leipsic for several years.

Dr. H. R. Allen, Jr., has gone to Washington, D. C., to join his wife, who is visiting her parents, Senator and Mrs. Fairbanks. Dr. and Mrs. Allen will return home this week.

Mrs. Dahmen, of Zurich, who is with her sister, Mrs. Horace J. Eddy, will go to Cincinnati in a few days to visit, friends. Mrs. Dahmen will be joined this spring by her husbaud.

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Piel gave a family dinner last night at their home in East Washington street, at which they celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of

dren, who came from New York, Mr. and Mrs. Piel were married in Marion county and have lived in Indianapolis during the greater part of their married life. Following the dinner was a general reception, at which a number of old friends called to extend congratulations.

Reception for Beveridge and Harris.

The reception which the Columbia Club will give to-night in honor of Senator and

Mrs. Beveridge and Mr. and Mrs. Addison C. Harris will be one of the largest in the history of the city. Assisting the president of the club, Dr. Franklin W.

Lathrop, Greencasus, orge Bliss, of toasts which will be re-

ionded to will be as follows:
Governor Mount—"Our Commonwealth."
John W. Kern— indianapolis as a Power
the State and Nation."
Charles S. Herniy—"Indiana Politics."
Senator Newton Gilbert—"Indiana's Pa-

Judge John H. Baker—"The American

m.
C. New—"Our Honored Guests."
us C. Adams—"The Business Man in

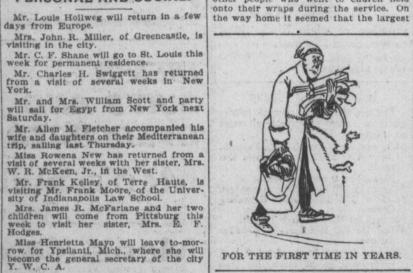
nuel E. Morss-"American Diplo-

iley N. Chambers-"Our New Minis-John C. Wingate—"Our New Senator," Responses will be made by Senator Bev-ldge and Mr. Harris.

was established by the weather yester the Paul Jones. day, when the temperature at 7:30 a. m. Private dispatches from New Orleans to touched 5 degrees below zero. The near-Mayor Taggart fully confirm reports that the body found near Ft. St. Philip was that of Captain Sturdevant, the pilot of the Paul Jones. Mayor Taggart says this syddenes tending to show that the Weather Bureau to 2 degrees below. Besides the thermometric proof is evidence tending to show that the whole party met the same fate. It is the belief that the remainder of the party went down with the hull of the boat, which was above those of the rest of the party, and it is believed the explosion forced him from it. It is the belief that a search will discover the sunken hull and lead to the recovery of the bodies submerged with it. much of the day as possible in bed, with overcoats and other wraps piled on top of the bed clothing. Men who went home Robinson's Adventures. Charles Robinson and "Strawberry" Hampton, colored boys, engaged in a on the previous evening for a quiet Sun day, found it necessary to split wood or carry coal for the fires, and the quarrel in the corridor of the City Dispensary, and Robinson drew a pocket knife. Patrolman Bray arrested him, amount of fuel necessary to keep warm even one room, in which a family would and when searched two bocketbooks, a fountain pen and a number of other arti-cles were found on Robinson. In the po-lice station the boy made a dash for lib-erty, but was caught at the door. huddle, was surprisingly large. Some of the men, who were "agin" desecrating the Sabbath by swinging an ax, rattled

Fall in Temperature.

A new record for the present winter



FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YEARS.

men in the cars managed to get over the electric heaters. People who walked held their ears and moved at a lively pace. A biting wind swept the streets, but overhead there was a brilliant sun.

Towards noon there was a little more rise in the temperature. About 3 p. m. the mercury had recorded a maximum temperature of about 9 degrees for the day. Then the weather had another sinking spell, and went down to 5 degrees above zero. But by midnight it was in better humor, and 13 degrees was recorded. Early this morning it was not too cold for a spiteful fall of snow, and at 10:30 a. m. the mercury, in reliable tubes, stood at 16 degrees.

Another Cold Wave Coming. nen in the cars managed to get over the

Another Cold Wave Coming About noon the weather observer read mysterious signs on his complicated map. He looked at the indicator, which showed that it was getting cooler, there having been a decline of about four degrees in two hours. Then the observer, in the top of the Majestic Building, safe from the clutches of a shivering city, quietly sat at his desk and wrote a message which sent the cold wave flag flying from the mast on the top of the court-house. The weath-er man said there was not only an en-



HE COVERED ALL OF THE STREET CAR HEATER.

thusiastic cold wave in town, but that another is on its way to relieve it, and he really appeared cheerful as he said the temperature would go to zero before tomorrow morning. morrow morning.

The skaters were out in force during the day, and they found that all bodies of water about the city were frozen. A large number skated at Garfield Park and on the canal. The ice men had renewed their hope to-day that they would get their store-houses filled. The ice on still water was five or six inches thick.

In Northern Ohio.

Cleveland, O., January 30 .- The worst olizzard of the winter is raging in north-ern Ohlo to-day. The mercury has been novering around the zero mark for the past forty-eight hours. A fine, penetrat ing snow is falling, accompanied by a high wind. Trains from the East are generally arriving late, owing to the storm and severe cold.

PARK INQUIRY.

nance-The Investigation.

president of the club, Dr. Franklin W. Hays and Mrs. Hays, with the general reception committee of the club, will be Admiral and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. John C. New, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Atkins, Major and Mrs. W. J. Richards, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Coffin, Dr. and Mrs. W. N. Wishard, Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Rates Mr. and Mrs. Noble C. Butler, Mr. appropriating \$500 for the expenses of the committee on investigation and impeachment of the Council, in its investigation day night, at the office of the city clerk. Frank Ross has been appointed stenogra-pher of the committee, and subpenas have been issued for John J. Cooper, Charles M. Cooper, Hiram W. Miller, W. Hohlt, and several others, who sold park land to the city.

The mayor has also signed the ordinance

> the activity at the recruiting office, and place where they can get food, shelter and slothing. A continued cold snap always orings out a number of men who have been hanging back, but are at last forced to hanging back, but are at last forced to decide whether they will apply for enlistment or hunt for a place to keep warm. The recruiting officers are always more careful at such times, as occasionally men will slip into the service without fully realizing what they are doing, and after a month or two will want to get out. The class of men who are driven to applying for enlistment, it is said, do not as a rule, make the best soldiers. Another batch of recruits will be sent to the Sixth Artillery and to the Second Infantry some time this week.

New Telephone Switchboard. New Telephone Switchboard.

Three cars, containing the switchboard of the New Telephone Company arrived this morning, and the work of putting it into position will begin tomorrow. At the office of the company this morning it was said the plant will be in operation by March 1, and that the work of putting in the telephones would begin about that time. He said that every one would be supplied by the 1st of April, but that no charge would be made before that time.

The Central Union Company now has 3,567 subscribers in this city, an increase, **ELECTRIC ROAD PETITIONS** 

STABBED IN THE BACK.

ored Tough-Wound Not Fatal. Abraham Turple, a colored cook at the Normandie Hotel cafe, in South Illinois street, was stabbed last night by William R. King, also colored. A pocket-knife was thrust into Turple's back, striking the shoulder blade. It was thought at first



Colored Cook, Who Ejected a Col-

around the furnace in the cellar trying to coax more gas into the burners. Still that the wound was not serious, and that Turple would be out in a few days. King was arrested, and his case was continued other people who went to church held

that the wound was not serious, and that Turple would be out in a few days. King was arrested, and his case was continued in the Police Court this morning until Friday, to await developments, as Turple was not able to be present. The charge against him is assault and battery with intent to kill.

King was drunk last night, and had been ejected from the cafe several times by the proprietor. He returned the third time, and fell asleep at one of the tables in the rear of the place. The proprietor called Turple to his assistance, and the two put King out in the alley. King returned and called for Turple, who went to the door to speak to him. Turple turned around to go back, and King stabbed him. Bicycle patrolimen streit and Lancaster found King still in the alley. He started to run, but was overtaken by the police in McCrea street. The negro made a victous attempt to slash Lancaster's throat, but the blow fell on the officer's arm. inflicting only a small scratch. King made a desperate resistance, but was felled to the ground by a blow from Streit's fist, in which Streit's knuckles were dislocated. The prisoner was held until detectives assistance. At the police station King made another fight, and it required two policemen and the turnkey to handle him. Turple was taken to his home, 418 South Pennsylvania street, where he lives with his wife. He says his collar-bone undoubtedly saved his life. He says he never had anything to do with King before last night.

King, who is twenty-three years old, lives at 222 Muskingum street. He has

night.
King, who is twenty-three years old, lives at 322 Muskingum street. He has acted as porter in several hotels about the city, and is known as a tough character. He was arrested several months ago for participating in a saloon brawl. He came to this city from Louisville, Ky.

JUMPED INTO THE OCEAN Mrs. J. B. Myers Commits Suicide at Atlantic City.

Atlantic City, N. J., January 30.-Be cause of continued falling health, Mrs. J. B. Myers, a wealthy visitor, from Pittsburg, committed suicide by jumping into the ocean from the end of Young's ocean the ocean from the end of Young's ocean pler, about noon to-day. Mrs. Myers, accompanied by her maid, went on the pier shortly after 12 o'clock, walking to the end of the structure. As they neared the end Mrs. Myers walked slightly in advance of her maid. As the latter's attention was temporarily attracted in an opposite direction, Mrs. Myers climbed over the rajing and jumped into the sea. The maid called for help, and two policemen answered her cries. There were no life-lines or boats on the pier, however, to go to the assistance of the woman, and she was drowned before aid could be rendered. Depier, about noon to-day. Mrs. Myers, ac-companied by her maid, went on the pier assistance of the woman, and she was drowned before aid could be rendered. De-ceased was about fifty years of age.

## AGAINST REPUBLICANS.

Probable Report of the Committee as to Special Commissioners.

Washington, D. C., January 30.—There is strong intimation that the judiciary committee of the House, at its meeting on Wednesday, will report declaring vacant the seats of all Republicans—twenty-four in all—who accepted places on various speclal commissions or commissions in the army. The members involved are mem-bers of the peace, Hawaiian, postal, indus-trial and high joint commission. No Indiana member is affected. If the committee ana member is affected. If the committee so reports the effect will be chiefly as precedent, for the terms would expire anyhow in four weeks, and the House could hardly act on the matter before that time. Such report would not affect the new term of members beginning March 4. If the Senate acts accordingly the effect will be more far-reaching, Members of the House judiciary, questioned in regard to the report, said nothing had been determined yet. Senator Hoar made a similar point againt the peace and Hawaiian commissions.

FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

Third Expedition Will Sail From New York February 9. Chicago, January 30 .- Gen. M. V. Sheri Lakes, to-day completed arrangements for the departure of the third expedition to the Philippines, which will start from New York February 9.

The troops will sail on the transport Sheridan, and go over the same route taken by the first expedition. The first stop will be made at Gibraltar, and the next at the Suez canal. This expedition mult consist of eight companies of the Twelfth Infantry, at Jefferson barracks, Mo.; four companies of the Twelfth Infantry, at Ft. Riley, Kas., and four companies of the Seventeenth Infantry, at Columbus barracks, Columbus, O.

[Special to The Indianapolis News.] Rushville, Ind., January 30 .- The jury in the case of Jacob W. Hanson, charged with shooting Michael Ryan, with murderous intent, was discharged to-day, having failed to agree. Hanson is postmas-ter at Sexton, and a prominent Repub-lican politician.

He was chairman of the county commit-tee in 1896. Ryan is a Democrat and the village blacksmith at Sexton. Pollitical differences had much to do with the quar-rel between the men. The jury was com-posed of eight Republicans, one silver Republican and three Democrats. Eight jurors voted for acquittal and four for conviction.

Change of Venue in Roby Cases.

Valparaiso, Ind., January 30,-An ob ection was made by the attorneys for the Roby pool-sellers to ex-Judge Howard, of South Bend, hearing the injunction case brought by the State, and Judge Robert Lowrey, of Ft. Wayne, was selected this noon, The case will be heard by him this evening.

[Special to The Indianapolis News.]

(Special to The Indianapolis News.)
Martinsville, Ind., January 30.—Judge J.
H. Jordan is at home suffering from erysipelas in his feet and ankles. He can walk only with the greatest difficulty, and will probably be compelled to remain at home for some time. He is using crutches.

In Arkansas. "Why do you tremble, my pretty, fair maid?"

A Remarkable Record. 88,885 cases of G. H. Mumm's Extra Dry im-torted in 1898-32,649 more than any other yrand. This champagne is made-of choicest trapes and first pressings. Bottles will bear reen neckband and star label.

BIG FIRE AT CHICAGO.

Chicago, January 20.—The mahogany lumber yards of J. C. Raynor, at Morgan and Fulton street, and the box factory owned by F. C. Austin, burned to-day, causing a loss of \$325,000. The fire was

discovered in the lumber yards by the watchman. Fanned by a strong wind, the large stock of well-seasoned and val-uable lumber was all ablaze before the arrival of the fire engines of the depart-

and they were forced to jump to the ground. All of them escaped without any secious injury. A few minutes later the roof fell in. The box factory was totally

Frank Meyer, a watchman in the J.

A \$75,000 Fire at Pittsburg.

A GREAT INVENTION.

Become Wealthy.

Mr. Buck has opened negotiations with

the British government. As a result an engineer came here from England about

one month ago and met Mr. Buck and saw his model. The British agent tested it very thoroughly and approved it. He went back to England about two weeks

ago, taking a duplicate model with him, having first, acting in accordance with his instructions, made the following contract

with the inventor:
"The Board of Admiralty is to con-

struct a cylinder and test it thoroughly for six days. If at the end of this time

for six days. If at the end of this time it be adjudged successful, Mr. Buck is to get \$9,000,000. If a second test of sixty days is likewise successful, he is to get an additional \$9,000,000, and a final successful test of ninety days' duration is to bring an additional \$10,000,000, or \$22,000,000 in all. It is the purpose of the British government to use the cylinder in their warships.

PAYMASTER-GENERAL.

The President Appoints Asa B.

Carey.

T. H. STANTON.

Frozen to Death Near Warren.

Admitted His Guilt.

[Special to The Indianapolis News.

Wabash, Ind., January 30.—Marior Weaver, colored, who attempted to crim-

nally assault Mrs. Ross Daugherty, of

Treaty, this county, on the 5th inst., was to-day committed to the Jeffersonville Re-

only sixteen years old, admitted his guilt

and threw himself on the mercy of the

A Colored Preacher Sentenced.

[Special to The Indianapolis News.]

Columbus, Ind., January 30.—The Rev Howard Williams, a colored minister

was removed to the Michigan City prison under the indeterminate sentence law, having been convicted of stealing a \$2

ring from one of his parishioners. He pleaded that he took the ring that he

night trade it for something to eat, be ing hungry. His family live in St.

Hog Cholera Prevailing.

[Special to The Indianapolis News.]

Farmland, Ind., January 30 .- The ho

cholera is raging throughout this sec-tion, over 1,200 head having died in the

djoining township. The disease is gen

Bad Fire at Dunkirk.

250 000, with \$25,000 insurance,

[Special to The Indianapolis News.] Dunkirk, Ind., January 30.-By the burning of the Ohio flint glass-works to-

Skull Fractured.

[Special to The Indianapolis News.] Modoc, Ind., January 30.—Carl Swain, while driving a young horse, which be-

came unmanageable, was thrown

stroyed-Loss, \$325,000

TWO MORE PRESENTED TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Lines West of the City-A Fifty-Year Franchise Given to the Greenfield Line Company Saturday Afternoon.

The county commissioners gave away second fifty-year franchise for an electric road, Saturday afternoon, and the board had no sooner met this morning than two new petitions for franchises for electric rallways were presented. The first petition was signed by William A. Pickens, on behalf of E. C. Crawford, George W. Bell, T. J. Charlton, T. S. Hitt, James R. Henry, William 1. Higgins and Addison Ballard. It asked for a right-of-way in the National road for an electric line between Indianapolis and Cartersburg, by way of Bridgeport. The second was signed by D. P. Erwin, D. M. Parry and D. M. Ransdell, and asked for a right-of-way in the National road for an electric line between Indianapolis, Bridgeport, Plainfield and towns intervening.

Commissioner Greer said that in view Commissioner Greer said that in view of the rush for franchises, he is sorry the board did not wait a while and sell the franchises to the highest bidder. Commissioner McGregor was resigned to the situation, and said he hoped to live to see the day when every road leading to the city would have a rapid transit line in it. line in it.
The county commissioners, Saturday

Harrisburg, Pa., January 30 .- The elev enth ballot for United States Senator to lay resulted: Quay, 35; Jenks, 4.

Mr. Bryan's Old Letter. New York, January 30.—Willis J. Abbott has made public a letter received from W. J. Bryan in March, 1898, in reply to one inviting him to address the New York Democracy in the following April. Before Mr. Bryan was invited to speak, Mr. Croker was consulted and he

advised that Mr. Bryan be requested to refrain from discussing the money question. This wish was made known Mr. Bryan. In his reply the silver champion said

York to expect the Democrats of New York to stand by the platform or an-nounce their hostility. We ought to know whether the New York Democracy means peace or war."

Mr. Bryan said it was not only right that the New York State convention

Mr. Bryan said it was not only right that the New York State convention should stand by the Chicago platform, but it was good policy. In closing his letter, Mr. Bryan said:

"Tammany needs the Democracy of the nation as much as the national party needs Tammany, and Tammany should recognize this fact. Democratic principles have too firm a hold on the plain people to give the party in any section any promise of success by abandoning them. Democracy was defined at Chicago, and the definition is so satisfactory that no material change will be made in that definition for years to come. I hope the New York Democrats, for their good as well as for the good of the party and country at large, will speedily bring themselves within the definition by giving an unqualified indorsement of the Chicago platform."

Clark Elected in Montana. Helena, Mont., January 30.—The Legis-ature, Saturday, elected William A. Clark, of Butte, to succeed Lee Mantle as United States Senator. The election of Mr. Clark

William A. Clark is sixty years old, and has long lived in Montana. He is the largest individual owner of copper mines and smelters in the world, his principal properties being in Butte. Mont., and Jerome, A. T. He has extensive beet-sugar interests in California and a large copper wire works at Elizabethport, N. J. He has a plantation of 32,000 acres in Mexico, devoted to growing coffee, tea and tobacco and rubber. His net income for 1898 was not far from \$10,000,000. Clark favors free silver and a protective tariff. formatory under the indeterminate sent-ence law; the minimum time of imprison-ment seven years. The prisoner, who is

Too Many Employes. Jefferson City, Mo., January 30.—An effort will be made in the House this week to cut down the enormous clerical force. The number of employes of the Assembly, exclusive of sweepers, janitors, etc., at the present time, is stated to be 440, or about one hundred more than ever employed before. It is admitted that there is no employment for one-third of this force, and no particular reason why so many should be carried on the pay-rolls. A good many of them are relatives of members of the House.

Trial of the Quays. Philadelphia, January 30.—The district attorney has notified counsel for United States Senator Quay, his son Richard R. Quay and ox-State Treasurer Haywood that he had fixed Monday, February 20, as the date for the trial of the three defendants on the charge of conspiracy in the misuse of the money of the State on deposit in the People's Bank.

Still Voting at Dover. Dover, Del., January 30.—The twenty-second ballot for Senator resulted: Gray (Democrat), 14; Addicks (Republican), 14, Dupont (Republican), 5; Chandler (Republican), 1; Spruance (Republican), 1; Higgins (Republican), 2; Willis (Republican), 1; Topham (Republican), 1; Handy (Democrat), 5. eral throughout eastern Indiana. day two hundred workmen are thrown out of emplo, ment and a loss incurred of

Mrs. Grant's Message. Sacramento, Cal., January 30.—Last Saturday afternoon the majority, if not all, the members of the Legislature who all, the members of the Legislature was are voting for U. S. Grant, Jr., for Sen ator received the following telegran from his mother, Julia D. Grant, in Washington: "I thank you for your loya support of my son, Ulysses S. Grant"

falling on the frozen ground and fracturing his skull. No Change in Nebraska. Japanese Steamer Burning. Lincoln, Neb., January 30.—The eleventh wellot for Senator developed no change in the relative position of the candidates. There were several absentees, which accounts for the decreased vote. Yokohama, January 30.—The Japanese steamer Yamaguchi Maru, Caprain Allen. from Seattle, January 11, for this port, is on fire at Agonohama. Every means available is being taken to extinguish the

Break Expected in Wisconsin. Madison, Wis., January 30.—When the Legislature convened to-day to nominate a United States Senator, Senator McGil-Steamship Arrivals. New York, January 30.—Arrived: Laurania, from Liverpool; Laurania, from Liverpool; Laurania, from

and Furs. Lumber Yard and Box Factory De-

This Week We Propose to Eclipse all Former Efforts. This clearance sale is not on Jacket hat have been refused, but on Jacket of this month we were able to make purchases at strictly our own prices, getting at the same time the approved styles of the season. We, to-day, have every reason to believe that we are showing the choicest lot of Jackets in the city, all of which are divided up into three lots:

ment. The fire spread from the lumber yards to the boarding-house owned by Mrs. Smith. The house was destroyed and the twenty-five lodgers were driven into the street with the temperature at zero, in their night-clothes. Ten of the firemen were on the root of Austria, box \$7.50 gives you the pick of any Jacket in the house; former prices of these was up to \$20.00. \$5.00 gives you the choice of a sele line of Jackets that were up to \$12.00. firemen were on the roof of Austin's box factory when it caught fire. The flames broke through the roof beneath their feet \$3.50 for the choice of Jackets now in the house that formerly sold at \$5.00 and \$7.50.

Specials in Capes and Children's Jackets

Capes of Seal Plush, 22 inches long full sweep. Thibet fur edged collar and front, serge lined; our \$3.98 quality....\$2.50 C. Raynor building, was severely injured in jumping from the second story of the building. The stock of the lumber yard, which is a block long and a half block wide, was valued at about \$300,000. ..\$2.50 Capes of a good quality Seal Plush, 27 inches long, full sweep, Thibet fur edged collar, fronts sateen lined; CLEARANCE PRICE .......\$3.98 Pittsburg, Pa., January 30.—The six-story building at 918 and 920 Pennsyl-vania street, occupied by the New York Biscuit Company and the LaGross Art Glass Co., was damaged by fire to-day to the extent of \$75,000. Several firemen were injured by falling glass, but will recover. The origin of the fire is a mys-

If It is a Success, H. M. Buck Will

\$9.00 New York, January 30.—H. M. Buck, a watchmaker, of Thompsonville, Conn., has invented a rotary cylinder which is designed to increase the speed of steamships 50 per cent., and at the same time do 

50 per cent., and at the same time do away entirely with the vibration of vessels. His method is to utilize all the expansion of steam for driving power, thus avoiding the waste, which in the cylinders now in use is computed at 98 per cent. It is this waste which requires the enormous coal consumption of modern steam vessels and the appropriation of an abnormally large space in the vessel's hull for coalbunkers.

THE WM. H. BLOCK CO.

Jackets, Capes

Half Price and Less on Odd
Pieces Dinnerware that
We are Closing Out. 390 for 750 Tes Pots, is decorated, 390 for 750 Tursens and Napples,

a variety of handsome ware.

190 for 390 and 500 Toa Pots,
Pitchers, Butter Dishes, Napples and
Bakers; both the dainty and heavy and
wreath decorations, with gold stippling. Draperies, Rugs, Mattings 4 Lots Specially Priced Curtains.

Laces, good length and width, new pat-tern, 75c quality, 200 pairs, per LOT 2. Curtains, Laces, neat, some double border designs, over-locked edges, imitations of higher grades, lengths up to 3½ yards, widths up to 54 inches; up to \$2.00 qualities, pair ..... this lot comprises \$2,00 to \$4.00 qualities, patterns that are 1859 ideas, in this sale, pair... \$2.66 

Groceries Crackers, strictly fresh, (3 lbs. Rolled Oats, Perfection quality No. 1, and full 2-lb packages, (3 for 20c), each ..... Meal, white and fresh, (6 lbs. 5c)

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Trunks \$2 to \$35 Bags 85c to \$15

The most complete stock in the State to select from,

Bee Hive Trunk Factory.

ROBERT R. SYMON DEAD. He Was an English Financier With Large Interests.

New York, January 30 .- A cable dispatch from London annunces the death there of Robert Rintoul Symon, an English financier, well known in this country, age sixty years.

In January, 1879, in company with Frederick C. Rogers, of this city, he went to Mexico, and obtained from the Mexi-

Washington, D. C., January 30.—The President to-day nominated Col. Asa B. Carey, assistant paymaster-general, to be paymaster-general, with rank of brigacan government a concession for the Mexican Central Railroad Company, of which he has since been vice-president and director. Mr. Symon was also for years a director of the Maxim-Norden-feldt Guns and Ammunition Company. Since 1879 Mr. Symon had made yearly trips to Mexico. For many years he and Sebastian Camacho, of the City of Mexi-co, constituted a firm which had contracts for a large part of the Mexican government coinage, and they owned severa mints. This partnership came to an end three or four years ago. Mr. Symon, up to his death, however, retained large in-terests in Mexico, besides the railways. He owned several big haciendas, and was also largely interested in mines. with President Diaz, of the Mexican re-

Mrs. Margaret Belches Cutting. [Special to The Indianapolis News.] Fortville, Ind., January 30 .-- Mrs. Mar garet Belches Cutting is dead at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. H. Thom-

dier-general. He will succeed Paymaster-General T. H. Stanton, who retires to-day on account of age. General Stanton is a native of Indiana. She was eighty-one years old. Mrs Cutting was a type of the Scottish Highlander. She was born in London, England, in 1818, the same year when Queen Victoria was born, and she lost her eye-sight when six years old. She came to Wabash, Ind., January 30.-The lifeless body of Thomas Minear, a young farmer near Monument City, was found in a fence corner this morning. Last Saturday night the United States when quite young, and was one of the first students at the State Blind Institute, Indianapolis. met convivial friends at Warren, and while they were drinking in a saloon ther of New York. In 1866 they removed to this place, where Mrs. Cutting continued to live until her death. Her husband died several years ago. She wrote many poems during her lifetime, compiling a volume of them, and she was a fine was a fight and the police were called. Fearing arrest, Minear started to walk home in a howling blizzard, being afraid to go to the livery stable for his horses, and it is supposed that he was overcome by the cold and went to sleep in a fence musician. She served for twenty years as organist of the M. E. church. A corner, where he was frozen to death. He number of relatives and friends still re-

La Grande, Ore., January 30.—Ex-United States Senator James H. Slater is lead.

James H. Slater was born in Illinois in 1826, went to California in 1849 and to Oregon in 1850. In 1870 he was elected to the Forty-second Congress, and in 1876 was elected United States Senator, serving until 1885. Senator Slater figured largely during his life in the politics of Oregon. He leaves a widow, four daughters and five sons.

[Special to The Indianapolis News.]

Muncle, Ind., January 30.—The death of
the Rev. J. E. Rutherford occurred Saturday. He was a retired minister of Bluffton, who came to this city about five weeks ago on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. E. H. Hoy. He became too ill to return home, and died at the home he was visiting. Forty years previous to his removal to Bluffton, he had lived in this city. He had charge of the local United Brethren church. He was eighty-five years old.

Lytle Bowen. Kokomo, Ind., January 30.—Lytie Bowen, ninety years old, whose death occurred Saturday last, predicted his own demiss several days ago. Six children survive—Mrs. S. D. Knipe, of this city; Mrs. Martha Burg and Miss Loretta Bowen, of Anderson; Mrs. C. Austin, of Elwood; Mrs. Elizabeth Elliott, of Carthage, Mo., and Thomas Bowen, of Eaton, O.

Mrs. Phoebe Gossett. [Special to The Indianapolis News.]
Valparaiso, Ind., January 30.—Mrs,
Phoebe Gossett, one of the first settlers of
this county, died at Meadow Grove, Neb., where she was visiting a son. She

George C. Bennett. [Special to The Indianapolis News.] Valparaiso, Ind., January 30.—George C. Bennett, an old veteran and a former business man, dropped dead at his home this morning. He was sixty-five years old

John Holmes. Boston, January 30.—John Holmes, brother of the late Oliver Wendell Holmes, died at his home, in Cambridge, John Holmes was a poet, and, like his brother, a famous wit. He was graduated from Harvard in 1832 and studied law.

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No one in Boston or Cambridge had a greater fund of reminiscences than he about famous men and women and historic interests about Harvard College and the two cities. He was eighty-seven years old, and leaves a large property.

David M. Gardner. Southport, Ind., January 30,-David M. Sardner, an old and prominent resident of Marion county, and for a quarter century making his home in this pladead of nervous prostration. He was fifty-seven years old. He leaves a wife and three children—A. U. Gardner and Mrs. M. H. Ropkey, of Indianapolis, and D. C., Gardner, of Chicago. There are also two stepchildren—Mrs. Clew Lewis and Mrs. Max Farland.

W. H. Thixtun. Sullivan, Ind., January 30.-W. H. This tun died at his home in this city to-day of stomach trouble. He was a prominent cit-lzen and proprietor of the Arlington House. He was about sixty-two years old. Prior to his residence here he was a farm-

Woodford A. Woods

[Special to The Indianapolis News.]
Greenwood, Ind., January 30.—Woodford
A. Woods, a well-known farmer, living
near here, died this morning of consumption. He was seventy-four years old, and settled in this township in 1830. For over forty years he served as an eder in the Presbyterian caurch. Capt. George Shane.

[Special to The Indianapolis News.] Newcastle, Ind., January 30.—Capt. George Shane died in Florida, where he went for his health. He was a wealthy citizen of Springport, and a captain in the Fortieth Indiana during the civil war. William Elliott. (Special to The Indianapolis News )

Laporte, Ind., January 30.—William Elliott, a well-known miller, and at one time owner of several plants, died yesterday of pneumonia. He was seventy-John Chester. [Special to The Indianapolis News.] Dillsboro, Ind., January 30 .- John Chester, ninety years old and the oldest Ger-man citizen of Ohio county, is dead, at his home in the Downey neighborhood.

Mrs. Calvin S. Diggs. [Special to The Indianapolis News.]
Winchester, Ind., January 30.—Mrs. Calvin S. Diggs, a prominent worker in the M. E. church, 's dead, the result of a stroke of apoplexy.

Baron Ompteda. Berlin, January 30.—Baron Ompteda, the novelist, died yesterday at Wiesbaden.

PORTRAIT OF FIELD.

It is Presented to the Chicago Press Club. Chicago, January 30.—Charles A. Gray's life-size oil portrait of Eugene Field was formally presented to the Chicago Press Club to-day. It is a splendid likeness,

and is similar to the picture which Mr. Gray painted for Scribners. The presentation exercises were held in the club reception-room before a large audience of newspaper men and other friends of the late poet. The presentation address was made by Luther Lafin Mils. In behalf of the club, President William Knox, in a few appropriate words, accepted the gift.

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